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Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development

**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)** 

**Grant Recipient: Ketchikan Gateway Borough** 

**Project Title:** 

# Ketchikan Gateway Borough - Ketchikan Indian **Community Education And Cultural Center**

State Funding Requested: \$ 75,000 House District: 1 - A

Future Funding May Be Requested

## **Brief Project Description:**

Funding for design and planning of a Education & Cultural Center to serve the Community of Ketchikan.

**Funding Plan:** 

Total Cost of Project: \$5,250,000

**Funding Secured** Other Pending Requests **Anticipated Future Need** 

Amount Amount Amount

\$189,600 Local Funds 2008 Other \$1,968,000 2008

Total \$2,157,600

Explanation of Other Funds:

The Bureau of Indian Affairs will provide \$1,718,000 annually for ongoing program and operational expenses. BIA will also provide \$250,000 annually in administative funding for facility maittenance, technology support, and administration.

## **Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Item is \$75,000 for design and planning of a Education & Cultural Center to serve the Community of Ketchikan. This funding will pay for site and environmental reviews, schematic design and site development. The educational center will collaborate with the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District and the University of Alaska to reduce the high-school dropout rate and encourage higher education. It would enhance existing programs, providing new education and cultural components such as language immersion, carving classes, tutoring/drop-out intervention services, GED testing, vocational training services. The project will be located adjacent to the Ketchikan High School and the University of Alaska Southeast campuses. Support for the project includes donation of .65 acres of Borough land assessed at \$189,600, and a partnership with the University of Alaska Southeast for educational service delivery.

This project will meet the pressing needs of our community in the following areas:

Enhanced Academic Achievement: Providing necessary facilities to expand academic services that contribute directly towards reducing the high school dropout rate and support students pursuing higher education within the state university system.

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Cultural Restoration: Year-around, multi-age, cultural heritage activities for all community residents;

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ADA accessibility: Adequate access to all of Ketchikan's residents; Future Project: Obtain additional land beside the University of Alaska to build student housing complex (partially KIC funding through NAHASDA);

The construction cost estimate is \$5,250,000 based on a conceptual plan for a 21,000 square-foot facility, at a cost estimate of \$250.00 per square foot. Program and operational costs will be primarily funded by Ketchikan Indian Community with some costs negotiated through partnerships and other outside funding sources.

The Ketchikan Gateway Borough has donated the land for the project at an assessed value of \$189,600. Ketchikan Indian Community receives over \$1,718,000. annually from Bureau of Indian Affairs for ongoing program and operational expenses that will be housed in this facility and over \$250,000 annually in administrative funding for facility maintenance, technology support and administration. The University of Alaska has demonstrated strong support and plans to partner with KIC in joint programs.

Project Timeline:	Р	ro	je	ct	Ti	m	e	lin	е	:
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## **Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

Ketchikan Indian Community

## **Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? X Yes No

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# Ketchikan Indian Community Education and Cultural Center

### PROJECT SUMMARY:

Ketchikan Indian Community requests that the legislature support a \$75,000 appropriation to assist with the planning phase of an Education & Cultural

**FUNDING REQUEST** 

\$75,000

Center to serve the Community of Ketchikan. This funding will pay for site and environmental reviews, schematic design and site development.

The work of this educational center would build upon and complement the existing daily efforts of the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District and the University of Alaska to reduce the high-school dropout rate and encourage higher education. It would enhance existing programs and provide new education and cultural components such as language immersion, carving classes, tutoring/drop-out intervention services, GED testing, employment

& adult vocational training services, higher education scholarships, coaching and the Johnson O'Malley program. The facility will also offer vocational education, lectures, tutorial space and office space for staff and administration. The project will be located adjacent to the Ketchikan High School and the University of Alaska Southeast campuses. Existing support for the project includes donation of .65 acres of Borough land assessed at \$189,600, and a partnership with the University of Alaska Southeast for educational service delivery.



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### **FUNDING PLAN:**

Grant applications are being submitted to government, corporate and private foundation sources to fund remaining project costs. The Ketchikan Gateway Borough has donated the land for the project at an assessed value of \$189,600. Ketchikan Indian Community receives over \$1,718,000. annually from Bureau of Indian Affairs for ongoing program and operational expenses that will be housed in this facility and over \$250,000 annually in administrative funding for facility maintenance, technology support and administration. The University of Alaska has demonstrated strong support and plans to partner with KIC in joint programs.